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Application of: WATANABE, et al.

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For. SEMICONDUCTOR DEVICE AND FABRICATION METHOD THEREOF

PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Date: September 22, 2003

Sir:

Applicants petition the Commissioner for Patents to extend the time for response to the Office Action dated May 23, 2003 for one month from August 23, 2003 to September 23, 2003.

Attached please find a check in the amount of \$110.00 to cover the cost of the extension for a large entity. In the event that any additional fees are due in connection with this paper, please charge our Deposit Account No. 01-2340.

Respectfully submitted,

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